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Conventions - responsibilities of contacting parties

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Article	*Summary*	*Information Required*	*Reporting Cycle*
Chapter 1 Article 2	Summary paragraph concerning the responsibilities of Parties under this Convention. Issues are covered in detail in subsequent articles.	none	N/A
Chapter 1 Article 3	Parties should promote national policies to conserve wild flora, fauna & habitats, giving particular attention to those that are threatened and endemic. Planning and development policies, and measures taken against pollution should have consideration for conservation of wild fauna and flora. Information and education on the need to conserve these habitats and species should be promoted.	Fauna and flora species lists, particularly those that are threatened or endemic. List of habitat types, particularly those that are endangered. Information on any national policies with an impact on wild fauna or flora.	not given
Chapter 2 Article 4.1 (see also Resolution 1)	Parties should implement measures to conserve habitats of species, especially those listed on Appendices I or II and endangered natural habitats.	Identification of Appendix 1 fauna and flora species and list of endangered habitats occurring within national boundaries. Knowledge of existing relevant legislation.	N/A
	Parties should consider the conservation requirements of areas protected under 4.1, and ensure that planning and development policies avoid or minimise any deterioration of these areas.	Data indicating the conservation requirements of areas protected under 4.1	none
Chapter 2 Article 4.3 (see also Resolution 1)	Parties should give special attention to protecting areas important for Appendices II & III migratory species.	List of migratory species included on Appendices II & III, that occur within national boundaries. Information of areas that are of importance to migratory species.	none
Chapter 2 Article 4.4 (see also Resolution 1)	Parties should co-ordinate efforts to protect habitats in trans-boundary areas.	Identification of trans-boundary protected areas.	none
Chapter 3 Article 5	Parties should take actions to conserve Appendix I flora. Specific actions that should be prohibited are listed, including possession or trade of these species.	List of Appendix I flora occurring within national boundaries. Information on existing management measures.	N/A
Chapter 3 Article 6 (see also Resolution 1)	Parties should legislate or take other actions to conserve Appendix II fauna. Lists activities that are prohibited in relation to these species.	Identification of Appendix II fauna occurring within national boundaries, and data on their breeding and resting sites. Information on any internal trade in these species or derivatives of these species.	

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Chapter 3 Article 7	States that Parties should legislate etc. to conserve Appendix III fauna. Any exploitation of Appendix III fauna must be regulated to ensure populations are not threatened. Certain measures that must be taken are listed.	Identification of Appendix III fauna occurring within national boundaries. Information relating to the biological needs of these species, such as breeding season or population size that would indicate extent of closed season, or need for prohibition of exploitation to allow populations to recover.	
Chapter 3 Article 8 (see also Resolution 2)	Relates to the method of capture or killing of Appendix III species and any Appendix II species whose control is permitted under Article 9. Parties should prohibit methods of capture and killing stated in this Article, including those listed in Appendix IV.	Information on existing management measures.	
Chapter 3 Article 9.1 (see also Resolutions 1,2)	Permits exceptions from the provisions of Articles 4 to 8, provided there is no suitable alternative and the population will not be threatened, according to a list of provisos given.	Repeat of data required under Articles 4 to 8.	
Chapter 3 Article 9.2 (see also Resolutions 1,2)	Requests Parties to report every two years to the Standing Committee, on exceptions made under Article 9.1, with details on the populations concerned, method of capture or killing, conditions of risk, authorities and controls involved.	Details of populations which have been killed or controlled, how this control was carried out, the controls and risks involved, and the regulating authority.	every 2 years
Chapter 4 Article 10	Parties should co-ordinate efforts to protect migratory species in Appendices II & III. Parties should ensure that closed seasons and other procedures relating to fauna, given under Article 7 also meet the needs of migratory species in Appendix III.	Identification of those migratory species listed on Appendices I, II & III whose range extends into a Party's territory. Information on existing policy relating to closed seasons.	
Chapter 5 Article 11	Parties should co-operate as appropriate to advance conservation measures & co-ordinate research relevant to the Convention. Parties should encourage reintroduction of native species of flora & fauna, but should assess the impact of this work first. Parties should control introduction of non-native species. Parties should inform the Standing Committee of protected species not on Appendices I or II.	List of protected species not included on Appendices I or II. Information on impact of re-introduction of species on the environment prior to the re-introduction being implemented.	none given
Chapter 5 Article 12	Parties may adopt stricter measures to conserve wildlife & habitats than Convention requires.	none	
Resolution 1 1989 SC	Relates to Articles 1,2,3,4 6b & 9 which concern obligations of Parties to the Convention. This resolution recognises that the methods to achieve the goals outlined in the Convention have not been defined, and that this may lead to differences in interpretation and therefore effectiveness of the Convention. This resolution therefore provides definitions of many terms given in the articles concerned.	none	

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Resolution 2 1993	Relates to Article 9 concerning granting of exceptions to Articles 4-8 (i.e. allowing control of species and habitat management, that would otherwise be prohibited) and subsequent reports demanded on these exceptions. This recommendation clarifies the conditions for the granting of these exceptions, and the degree of detail to be included in the reports that are to be submitted every two years.	Information on exceptions allowed to Articles 4,5,6,7 & 8, only including a) general exceptions; b) individual exceptions if they are so numerous as to result in a generalise practice; c) individual exceptions concerning more than ten individuals of a species; d) individual exceptions concerning individuals of endangered or vulnerable populations of species.	2 yearly
Resolution 3 1996	Establishes the EMERALD network, in agreement with Recommendation 16, and encourages Parties to designate appropriate areas of special conservation interest.	Identification of areas of special conservation interest, appropriate for inclusion in EMERALD network.	N/A
Recommendation 3 (1984)	Parties should prepare comprehensive national inventories for peatlands, heathlands & dry grasslands, mark the protected sites on these inventories, and submit the resulting inventories and review of protected areas to the Standing Committee.	Inventory of important peatlands, heathlands and dry grasslands, including identification of those that are currently protected.	one-off
Recommendation 4 (1986)	Requests parties to review their reservations about Appendices I-IV species with a view to reducing the number of their reservations.	List of reservations submitted to the standing committee, concerning Appendices I-IV.	none
Recommendation 5 (1986)	Relates to Article 2. Requests Parties to ensure that appropriate legal & administrative measures are in place to allow the prosecution of any person capturing or killing wild birds, or of any organisation commercialising live or dead protected birds or trade & educate hunters & public. Similarly requests that Parties ensure appropriate measures are in place to promote the education of hunters and the public, on the need to conserve wild birds and their habitats.	Information on existing legislation and administrative measures, allowing prosecution of people or organisations involved in illegally catching or killing birds, or commercialising live or dead protected birds. Information on measures in place to promote education about need to conserve birds and habitats.	none

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Recommendation 7	Parties to ensure adequate legal protection for main turtle nesting areas, and avoid development in these areas. Parties should also promote research on turtles, intensify co-operation between states & societies, and promote education & awareness of turtles, and enforce existing regulations.	Location of turtle nesting beaches. Information on any developments proposed for these areas. Information for inclusion in environmental impact assessment of any or these areas proposed for development. Summary of existing research relevant to turtle conservation. Knowledge of those States with similar programmes, to ensure co-operation, and relevant scientific societies and international organisations. Information on existing information campaigns supporting turtle conservation. Information on present regulations concerning commercialising marine turtles and their derivatives.	N/A
Recommendation 11	Recommends that Parties should protect breeding and resting grounds of common seals, regulate the taking of seals in general, and prohibit the taking of animals from populations affected by morbilivirus (some exceptions permitted), reduce pollution, conduct research into threats to remaining common seal populations and consider the species or certain populations for listing on Appendix II of the Convention at the next Standing Committee.	Location of common seal breeding and nesting sites. Information on location of virus affected populations. Information on the damage done by common seals to fishing operations. Information on existing research activities relating to common seals, including population size.	none
Recommendation 14 (1989)	Relates to Article 1. Recommends that Parties identify: species (including migratory species) requiring specific habitat conservation measures; endangered habitats requiring specific conservation measures; species of which breeding/resting sites require protection. For each of these identify in addition endangered species requiring recovery plans, and develop and implement such plans; communicate implementation of work to Standing Committee and ensure appropriate measures are taken in light of issues identified under this recommendation.	Identify species including migratory species requiring specific conservation measures, particularly endangered species requiring recovery plans. Identify endangered habitats requiring conservation measures.	Not specified
Recommendation 15 (1989)	Recommends that Parties minimise exceptions granted under Article 9 for habitat types.	Summary of all exceptions granted under Article 9.	none

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Recommendation 16 (1989)	Recommends that Parties should identify areas of special conservation interest to ensure that necessary and appropriate conservation measures are taken for each area situated within their territory, where that territory supports at least one of the following criteria: contributes substantially to survival of threatened, endemic or Appendix I or II listed species of the Convention; supports significant numbers of species in an area of high species diversity, or important populations of one or more species; contains an important or representative sample of endangered habitat type; contains an outstanding example of particular habitat type; is an important area for migratory species; contributes substantially to achievements of the Convention.	Lists of: threatened species; endemic species; Appendix I & II listed species occurring within the territory. Information on habitat occurrence, particularly: areas of high species diversity; important or endangered habitat types; outstanding habitat example; habitat important for migratory species.	
Recommendation 18 1989	Encourages protection of native crayfish and forbids introductions of non-native crayfish into the wild.	Information on population size of crayfish species. Information on trade in crayfish. Information on health of farm-bred crayfish. Information on distribution of non-native crayfish.	
Recommendation 21	Recommends that Parties protect Hymenoptera & their habitats by: promoting recording schemes; compiling national reports on conservation status; encouraging management of habitats; encouraging pest & weed control with minimal impact on non-pest Hymenoptera; encouraging research on biology etc; promoting public education about the order; considering protection of endangered Hymenoptera; protecting rich habitats; surveying to assess conservation value of candidate areas for protection..	Information on distribution, population size, threats and general ecology of Hymenoptera.	
Recommendation 22	Provides for protection of pearl mussels, by recommending that Parties: regulate exploitation; control introduction of non-native species; set up reserves; evaluate development; implement EIAs; undertake research; promote co-ordination at national and international level; investigate commercial viability and consider need for breeding and reintroduction programmes.	Information on distribution, population size, threats and general ecology of pearl mussels.	
Recommendation 25 1991	Recommends that Parties consider conservation measures in areas outside legally gazetted protected areas, particularly measures listed in the Appendix to this Recommendation. Parties should report to the Secretariat on any measures they have taken or intend to take, and the effect of these measures.	Information on existing protection measures, and all plans and policies including those relating to landuse, technology. Location of sites of special conservation interest. Location of roads, railways, high-voltage lines, watercourses, landscape features, ecologically sensitive areas.	

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Recommendation 26 1991	Recommends specific actions for countries to protect threatened reptiles. UK to manage habitats for Lacerta agilis.	Distribution of populations of Lacerta agilis. List of conservation measures in place to support Lacerta agilis.	
Recommendation 27 1991	Recommends specific action for countries to protect threatened amphibians. UK to: protect & manage populations of Triturus cristatus; protect Bufo calamita sites, carry out management plan & consider reintroduction.	Distribution of populations of Triturus cristatus and Bufo calamita. List of conservation measures in place to support these species.	
Recommendation 28 1991	Encourages use of non-toxic shot in wetlands, including establishment of information and awareness programmes.	Monitoring of use of lead and non-toxic shot.	
Recommendation 29 1991	Promotes wetland invertebrate conservation through information, research, education, management, and development of protected areas.	Identification of wetland invertebrates, monitoring of population dynamics, information on all aspects of their biology and ecology. Information on number of invertebrate taxonomists. Identify endangered wetland invertebrates.	
Recommendation 30	Recommends Parties to take a wide range of measures, including surveys, development of policy and in situ and ex situ conservation actions to protect Appendix I listed plants.	Population, ecological and distribution data on Appendix I listed plants occurring within territory, including information on existing conservation measures.	
Recommendation 36 1992	Recommends parties to compile national inventories of underground habitats of high biological value, list protected habitats, identify underground invertebrate species requiring special conservation measures, list most endangered sites for troglodytic species, protect & manage biotopes representative of underground habitats, list protected underground sites with view to inclusion in European Network of Biogenetic Reserves. Includes criteria for selection of habitats and proposed management & protection procedures.	National inventories of underground habitats of high biological value. List of underground habitats already protected. Identify underground invertebrate species requiring special conservation measures. List most endangered sites for troglodytic species. List protected underground sites.	none given
Recommendation 39 1993	Recommends parties to note changes in taxonomy of Appendix II fauna.		N/A
Recommendation 40 1993	Recommends Parties to prepare and implement recovery plans for certain endangered or vulnerable Appendix I species, and inform Standing Committee of their actions.	Information on those species for which recovery plans have been prepared and implemented.	none given

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Recommendation 41 1993	Recommends Parties to promote recording of distribution & status of freshwater fish especially those listed on Appendices. Consider the need for a ban on exploitation of Appendix III species to protect populations, set up appropriate management plans, ensure use of approved fishing tackle, ensure fishing methods do not adversely affect fish populations, control introductions, set up captive breeding and re-introduction programmes, encourage research & education to improve understanding of threats to freshwater fish.	Information on conservation status, distribution and ecology of freshwater fish. Details of existing management plans.	none given
Recommendation 43	Parties are recommended to give special attention to various categories of mammals for which full details are given, such as small populations of mammals which are threatened or vulnerable, those listed on Appendices A & B to this recommendation etc. (for and to implement a wide range of management issues, including monitoring, development and implementation of management plans etc.	List of Appendix A & B mammals occurring within the territory, information on mammal population size and identification of small populations. List of existing management plans & policies affecting mammals.	
Recommendation 44 (1995)	Recommends Parties to take actions in respect to four groups of plants: those that appear sporadically in Central Europe (including those in Appendix A); rare pioneer plants (such as those listed in Appendix B); those threatened by air pollution (Appendix C); those following changes in culture (Appendix D). Various monitoring and management activities are proposed for the different groups.	Identify and monitor plants on each Appendix that occur within the territory of the Party. Information on population dynamics and ecology of these species.	
Recommendation 47	Parties recommended to take appropriate action to: maintain semi-aquatic insectivora in general, and in particular to survey and manage Neomys spp.., Desmana moschata and Galemys pyrenaicus, including issues relating to dam build and road construction. Launch publicity campaigns on the species.	Identify and monitor semi-aquatic insectivora that occur within the territory of the Party, particularly Neomys spp.., Desmana moschata and Galemys pyrenaicus. Gather information on population dynamics and ecology of these species.	
Recommendation 48 1996	Recommends Parties to consider carrying out national action plans for species listed in Appendix to the Resolution.	Identify those birds listed on Appendix that occur within national boundaries. Identify existing relevant national action plans.	
Recommendation 49 1996	Relates to protection of wild plants subject to exploitation and commerce. Recommends Parties to survey the conservation status of species listed in Appendix to the Resolution particularly in respect to exploitation and commerce. Parties should take appropriate action to ensure they are maintained at a favourable status.	Identify those plants listed on Appendix that occur within national boundaries. Identify existing relevant national action plans.	
Recommendation 51 1996	Parties are recommended/invited to consider recovery plans for endangered endemic species of invertebrates listed in Appendix to the recommendation.	Identify those invertebrates listed on Appendix that occur within national boundaries. Identify existing relevant national action plans.	

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Recommendation 52 1996	Recommends Parties to: establish conservation or recovery plans for threatened invertebrate species, paying particular attention to habitat protection and landscape features; to protect relevant habitats and in general to manage all habitats to ensure microhabitats occur, fundamental to many invertebrates.	Identify appropriate habitats. List recovery plans for these species.	
Recommendation 53 1996	Recommends Parties and non-Parties to collaborate to conserve otters. Lists measures they should adopt to achieve this.	Identify existing otter conservation programmes. Monitor otter populations, population size, ecology, habitats etc.. Identify similar measures in neighbouring countries. Identify processes and categories of activities with or likely to have adverse impact on otter habitats.	
Guidelines on the taking of the pearl mussel ...1992	Recommends Parties to regulate as appropriate the licensing of pearl fishing and taking of Margaritifera margaritifera. Suggests ways that this may be addressed.	Data on existing relevant legislation.	
Guidelines ...wild cat 1992	Recommends Parties to draw up cartographical inventories for the wild cat and encourage habitat & corridor conservation, conservation action plans, biological research and recommendations for specific countries.	Any existing information on wild cat distribution, and wild cat and feral cat biology, particularly genetic data relating to hybridisation.	
Guidelines ...recovery plans-amphibians & reptiles	Provides guidelines on identifying amphibia and reptile species that need recovery plans and guidance on the contents and implementation of such plans.	Identify those amphibia and reptiles listed on Appendix that occur within national boundaries. Identify existing relevant national action and recovery plans.	
Monaco Declaration	Relates to the role of the Bern Convention in the implementation of worldwide international instruments, in particular the CBD. Recommends Parties: to ensure that global obligations are applied at the regional level; to conduct research to identify and understand components of biodiversity; identify activities likely to have adverse impact on these issues; evaluate extent to which obligations to Convention have been implemented; calculate economic value of biodiversity; provide financial support to achieve these measures.	Information on the extent to which the issues listed under summary have already been implemented.	

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Articles 1 & 2	Interpretation of terms used, and fundamental principles	none	N/A
Article 3	Endangered Migratory Species App.1. Definition of App 1 Species and criteria for inclusion; all migratory species	List of all App 1 Species List of species	as soon as known
Article 3	Endangered Migratory Species App.1. Definition of App 1 Species and criteria for inclusion; all migratory species	Species used in extraordinary circumstances	as soon as known
Article 4	Migratory Species App. 2 Definition - all species of unfavourable conservation status and which require international agreements for their conservation and management	List of all App 2 Species	as soon as known
Article 4	Migratory Species App. 2 Definition	Copy of Range State Agreements	as soon as known
Article 5	Definition of Agreements and guidelines for their construction and use	none	N/A
Article 6	Range states: their responsibilities to the Secretariat and to the COPs	List of up-to-date Range State Species	as soon as known
Article 6	Range states: their responsibilities to the Secretariat and to the COPs	Conservation measures being taken by Range States	6 months prior to COP
Article 6	Range states: their responsibilities to the Secretariat and to the COPs	Which species they are a Range State of	as soon as known
Article 7	Role of the Conference of Parties; its duties and obligations	Contribution to next financial periods budget	prior to COP
Article 8	Role of the Scientific Council	none	N/A
Article 9	Role of the Secretariat	none	N/A
Articles 10 & 11	Amendment of Convention or Appendices - by submitting proposals	none	N/A
Article 12	Effect on other Conventions	none	N/A
Articles 13-20	Settlement of disputes, Reservations, Signature, Ratification/Acceptance/Approval, Accession, Entry into Force, Denunciation, Depository	none	N/A
Recommendation 5.1	Agreement on the Conservation of African Eurasian Migratory Waterbirds (AEWA). Parties should support implementation of Action plans	Knowledge Range State Species covered by this agreement	N/A

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Recommendation 5.2	Co-operative Action for App. II species. Recommends Parties to undertake co-operative action to improve conservation status of App. II species.	list of App. II species in Range State, knowledge of current conservation status and measures	N/A
COP Ch.III	Report of Scientific Committee: Agenda item 2 - changes to Range State lists	Notify the Secretariat of inaccuracies in the Range State Lists	at COP
Resolution 1.4	Parties nominees to the council should have scientific expertise relevant to aims and objectives of convention. Parties should finance their own nominees.	none	N/A
Resolution 1.5	Proposed format for inclusion of individual species in appendices I or II	Biological, taxonomic and all other information on species for inclusion	as soon as known
Resolution 2.7	Arrangement for Parties to enter into agreement under Art. 4: need for efficient administrative arrangements	Keep Secretariat fully informed on conduct of agreement & make regular reports to meetings of the Parties	at COPs
Resolution 3.1	Requests parties to consider listing species in both appendices. Range state Parties of App.II species should initiate agreements with other range states. Submit proposals in line with Art.11, and to aid developing countries and under-represented countries in preparing proposals	lists of species in appendices. Proposals for inclusion of species on appendices	for next COP
Resolution 3.2	Appendix I species review process: Parties are urged to provide information needed for review reports	species population and biological data	for next COP
Resolution 3.3	Refers specifically to small cetaceans - over taken by ASCOBANS	See ASCOBANS	N/A
Resolution 3.6	Urges all parties to pay contributions and make voluntary contributions to the Trust Fund.	payment of contribution	N/A
Resolution 5.4	Parties are requested to actively pursue priorities laid down in the Annex to this resolution pending a comprehensive review 'Strategy for the Future Development of the Convention' at COP 6.	Information on all facets of the Convention in line with the prioritising Annex to Resolution 5.4	N/A
Resolution 5.5	Consolidation of Secretariats for Convention and Individual Agreements	none	N/A
Resolution 5.6	Parties shall contribute to the budget adopted.	none	N/A

Bonn Convention (ASCOBANS)

Article	*Summary*	*Information Required*	*Reporting Cycle*
Article 1	Scope and Interpretation of terms used	none	N/A
Article 2	Purpose and basic arrangements - referring to conservation and management plan Annex	Conservation, research and management measures required; designation of a co-ordinating authority; report on yearly progress and difficulties in implementing the agreement	By 31 March each year
Article 3	The Co-ordinating Authority; monitoring Party activities and acting as a contact point for convention	knowledge of activities within the territory.	N/A
Article 4	The Secretariat; responsibilities of the Secretariat.	none	N/A
Article 5	The Advisory Committee	none	N/A
Articles 6-8	Meeting of the Parties; Financing; legal matters and formalities - procedures pertaining to these areas	legal and financial procedures	N/A
Advisory Committee Meeting (30/6-2/7/97)	ACM 30/6-2/7/97: Resolution on Management and Further Research Needs to Address Effects of Pollutants on Cetacean Health: requesting Advisory Committee and Parties to consider facilitating research on relation between the harbour porpoise and pollution	Comprehensive research programme on cause and effect	none
COP 2 Annex I	Invites Parties to make voluntary contributions to special activities	none	N/A
COP 2 Annex K	Resolution on Incidental Take of Small Cetaceans: agreeing conservation specific objectives and approaches	Parties and Range States make fisheries data available to enable the Advisory Committee to make estimates of annual by-catch rates	as soon as known
COP 2 Annex K	Resolution on Incidental Take of Small Cetaceans: agreeing conservation specific objectives and approaches	Parties and Range States to provide an estimate of total harbour porpoise by-catch in Skaggerak/Kattegat/Belt Sea	as soon as known
COP 2 Annex K	Resolution on Incidental Take of Small Cetaceans: agreeing conservation specific objectives and approaches	Parties and Range States continue to investigate methods to reduce catch; increase evaluation of catches and their ecological implications with regard to input from fishery industry	none

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Article	*Summary*	*Information Required*	*Reporting Cycle*
COP 2 Annex L	Further Research Needs of Pollutants on Cetacean Health: Parties should consider ways to facilitate development of programme on cause-effect relationships in co-operation with IWC and other bodies.	Data on cause-effect relationships	N/A
COP 2 Annex M	Invites Parties and non-party Range States to: continue or initiate research into identifying protected areas; post-mortem examinations; reducing disturbance; monitoring, status and population studies	Research into locations; development of guidelines and support schemes. I think I can probably keep typing now until I physically run out of space - nothing to do with character length definitions.	none
COP 2 Annex N	Further Implementation: Continue/initiate research identifying further suitable areas and appropriate management actions to ensure species protection. Support schemes on post-mortem analysis. Introduce, guidelines/measures to reduce disturbance to species. Encourage further research on biological factors and population.	Biological Data, habitat data, current management measures taking place	N/A

Bonn Convention (Eurobats)

Article	*Summary*	*Information Required*	*Reporting Cycle*
Article 1	Scope and Interpretation of terms used	none	N/A
Article 2	General provisions: definition of the Agreement	Communicate name and address of competent authorities	as soon as known
Article 3	Fundamental obligations of the Agreement	Identify important areas under jurisdiction; take appropriate conservation measures; assign a competent authority for advice on bat conservation; safeguard populations; promote research; consider potential effects of toxins on bats	as soon as known
Article 4	National Implementation: legislative and administrative measures.	Adopt and enforce legislation or administrative measures	as soon as known
Article 5	Meetings of Parties: procedural information on when they will occur, voting rights and establishment of working groups	procedural information on party meetings and voting arrangements	N/A
Article 6	Up-to-date reports on implementation of the agreement by each Party	Implementation Report of Agreement	90 days before ordinary meetings of the Parties
Article 7	Amendment of the Agreement: amendment procedure.	Amendment procedure	N/A
Article 8-14	Covering: Reservations; Settlement of disputes; signature/ratification/acceptance/approval, accession, entry into force, denunciation/termination and depository.	procedural information on lodging items with the depository of the agreement	N/A
Adv.Com. Meeting 2 (para 12)	Parties should send all publicity material to the Chairman/Secretariat to produce a paper on this for the next Adv. Com Meeting on the completion of posters, brochures, leaflets etc. on the Bats agreement	publicity material, produced by party and NGOs	by next Adv. Com, Meeting
Adv.Com Meeting 2 (para 24)	Preparation of reports; party reports should be circulated amongst peers for review	national report	as soon as possible
Adv.Com Meeting 2 (para 25-26)	Submission/revision of reports	national report: all information required for reports.	at least 90 days before MoP

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Article 5	Parties should cooperate with each other	None	None
Article 6	General Issues. Develop strategies to support CBD issues and integrate these into relevant policies etc.	None	None
Article 7	Identification and monitoring, in relation to Articles 8-10. Identify, monitor and document biodiversity and threats.	None	None
Article 8a	In situ conservation: establish protected area system	None	None
Article 8b	In situ conservation: develop guidelines for development of protected areas system	None	None
Article 8c	In situ conservation: manage biodiversity within and outside protected areas system	None	None
Article 8d	In situ conservation: promote ecosystem protection	None	None
Article 8e	In situ conservation: manage areas adjacent to protected areas.	None	None
Article 8f	In situ conservation: rehabilitate degraded systems	None	None
Article 8g	In situ conservation: regulate genetically modified organisms	None	None
Article 8h	In situ conservation: control alien species	None	None
Article 8i	In situ conservation: balance biodiversity conservation and sustainable use and demands	None	None
Article 8j	In situ conservation: involve & promote traditional lifestyles relevant to conservation and sustainable utilisation of biological diversity	None	None
Article 8k	In situ conservation: develop or maintain relevant legislation	None	None
Article 8l	In situ conservation: manage adverse processes	None	None
Article 8m	In situ conservation: provide financial support to developing countries	None	None
Article 9	Ex situ conservation	None	None
Article 9a	Ex situ conservation: adopt measures for ex situ conservation	None	None

Article	Summary	Information Required	Reporting Cycle
Article 9b	Ex situ conservation: establish and maintain facilities and research on biodiversity	None	None
Article 9c	Ex situ conservation: implement recovery and rehabilitation measures	None	None
Article 9d	Ex situ conservation: regulate collections for ex situ conservation to minimise impact on ecosystems and in situ populations	None	None
Article 9e	Ex situ conservation: provide financial support to developing countries	None	None
Article 10a	Sustainable use: integrate concept into national decision making	None	None
Article 10b	Sustainable use: minimise adverse impact on biodiversity	None	None
Article 10c	Sustainable use: promote customary use	None	None
Article 10d	Sustainable use: restore degraded areas	None	None
Article 10e	Sustainable use: encourage government department/private sector co-operation	None	None
Article 11	Incentive measures: provide incentives to conserve and sustainably use biodiversity via economically and socially sound measures	None	None
Article 12a	Implement scientific and technical education and training programmes	None	None
Article 12b	Promote research which contributes to the conservation and sustainable use of biological diversity	None	None
Article 12c	Cooperate in developing conservation and sustainable use techniques, in keeping with Articles 16, 18 and 20	None	None
Article 13a	Promote understanding of the importance of conservation of biological diversity	None	None
Article 13b	Develop educational programmes with respect to conservation and sustainable use of biological diversity	None	None
Article 14a-e	Introduction of environmental impact assessment, liaise with other States over activities which carry a negative impact on biodiversity and promote emergency response measures.	Notification to potentially affected States of any imminent danger or damage to biodiversity.	As appropriate

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Article 15	Facilitate access to genetic resources and participate in research in participation with Party providing the resource	None	None
Article 16	Provide access to and transfer of, technologies relevant to conservation and sustainable use of biological diversity, or that use genetic resources.	None	None
Article 17	Facilitate information exchange relevant to conservation and sustainable use of biological diversity, including data repatriation.	Varied	None
Article 18	Promote international technical and scientific co-operation, including development and implementation of national policies.	Data relevant to development of national policy.	None
Article 19	Parties should undertake appropriate biotechnology research activities, and ensure developing countries have access to technologies based on genetic resources that they have supplied. Protocols should be developed to handle any genetically modified organism liable to have an adverse impact on conservation and sustainable use of biodiversity.	Data on any genetic resources supplied by developing countries to developed countries, which are then used as basis for biotechnology research. Data on any GMOs produced, including information on use and safety handling requirements demanded by such GMOs.	None
Article 20	Parties should provide financial resources to achieve Convention objectives.	None	None
Article 26	National reporting requirements. Reports to COP to be made on measures countries have taken to implement provisions of CBD.	Measures countries have taken to implement provisions of CBD	At intervals to be decided by COPs
Decision II/8	Parties should identify priority issues specifically related to components of biodiversity at threat, as part of first national report.	Priority issues related to components of biological diversity under threat, based upon paragraphs 1,2,4 & 5 of SBSTAA recommendation I/3	None
Decision II/9	Invites Parties to include experts on forest biological diversity in their delegations to the Intergovernmental Panel on Forests.	None	
Decision II/10	Encourages parties to undertake and exchange information on demonstration projects as practical examples of integrated marine and coastal area management.	Marine & coastal management measures.	
Decision II/11	Relates to Article 15. Urges governments to send information on national measures to the Secretariat at their earliest convenience.	National measures in place relating to access to genetic resources.	

Article	Summary	Information Required	Reporting Cycle
Decision II/17	First national report due at COP4, to focus on implementation of Article 6 "General measures for conservation and sustainable use plus information in national country studies. Reports will not be distributed as official documents of COP Report to be in one of the working languages of the Convention, and preferably also available electronically. Reports to Secretariat by 30 June 97. Annex gives guidelines for reporting contents.	Details of national strategies, plans and programmes for the conservation & sustainable use of biological diversity.	Reports due at COP4 (May 98)
Decision III/4	Requests governments and other institutions to fund capacity building related to clearing-house mechanism	None	None
Decision III/4	Requests regional workshops to identify scientific and technical needs	None	None
Decision III/4	Requests parties to designate clearing-house mechanism	None	None
Decision III/6	Countries should provide standard information on their financial support for the objectives of the CBD, preferably including this in national reports to the Secretariat of the CBD.	Details of financial support from parties for the Convention objectives.	None
Decision III/7	Parties should provide information on their experiences gained through activities funded by the financial mechanism, for inclusion in financial review, as required under Article 21	Information on experiences gained by Parties through activities funded by the financial mechanism.	COP4
Decision III/9	Stresses need for cross-border co-ordination of strategies.	None	None
Decision III/9	Urges incorporation of CBD objectives in relevant policy.	None	None
Decision III/9	Urges parties to submit first national reports by 1.1.98.	None	1.1.98
Decision III/9	Encourages setting of measurable targets.	None	None
Decision III/9	Requests action for habitat restoration.	None	None
Decision III/10	Urges identification of indicators and implementation of Article 7, with a step by step approach, as a priority, beginning with rapid implementation of Article 7a & 7c (identification of components of biodiversity important for its conservation and sustainable use, and processes and categories of activities having adverse impact on these).	Indicators of biological diversity. Identification of biodiversity of importance for conservation or sustainable use. Identification of processes having adverse impact.	None
Decision III/10	Calls on need for pilot projects to demonstrate assessment and indicator methodologies.	None	None

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Decision III/10	Calls on reports on these methodologies	Effectiveness of methodologies and assessments undertaken.	None
Decision III/10	Recommends exploration of ways of making taxonomic information housed in collections readily available, particularly to countries of origin.	Inventory of collections that exist, with summary of collection contents. Knowledge of existing mechanisms for managing this information, and providing access to it. Knowledge of which countries the collections originate from.	None
Decision III/11	Requests identification of ongoing relevant activities and issues and priorities that need to be addressed at national level and report back to COPs, particularly in relation to indicative list provided in Annex 2 to this decision.	Issues and priorities needing addressing at national level.	None
Decision III/14	Requests development of national legislation and corresponding strategies to implement 8j, and to supply information on this in national reports.	Information on implementation of Article 8j and related articles, including national legislation and administrative and incentive measures and to include this in national reports.	None
Decision III/14	Governments to submit case studies on measures taken to develop and implement the CBD's provisions relating to indigenous and local communities.	Information on effectiveness of case studies.	At workshop held prior to COP4.
Decision III/15	Urges governments to send information relating to Article 15, access to genetic resources: on legislation, and policy, national participatory processes research programmes.	Information on (a) legislative, administrative and policy measures and guidelines for activities covered by Article 15, particularly access and benefit sharing; (b) national participatory processes covered by Article 15, particularly ways by which access and benefit sharing measures and guidelines, including related institutional arrangements, are developed and implemented; c) research programmes on genetic resources.	5 months prior to COP4 (January 1998)
Decision III/15	Urges governments to promote the successful development and implementation of legislative, administrative and policy measures and guidelines on access, including scientific, technical, business, legal and management skills and capacities. Invites analyses of existing experiences in these areas.	As above, including analyses of existing services.	

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Decision III/15	Encourages governments to explore and develop guidelines and practices to ensure mutual benefits to providers and users of access measures and to implement them as appropriate	Information on access measures.	None
Decision III/15	Encourages governments to identify and communicate to the Secretariat competent national authorities responsible for granting access to genetic resources.	Details of national authority(y/ies) responsible for controlling access rights to genetic resources.	not specified
Decision III/15	Urges governments to conclude discussions to harmonise International Undertaking on Plant Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture with CBD.	None	None
Decision III/17	Governments to conduct and communicate case studies of the impacts of intellectual property rights on the achievement of CBD objectives to secretariat for dissemination through clearing house mechanism.	Impacts of intellectual property rights on the achievement of CBD objectives.	
Decision III/18	Encourages review of legislation and economic policies, and incorporation of market and non-market values of biodiversity into appropriate plans etc.	Existing legislation and economic policy.	None
Decision III/18	Encourages training and capacity building to implement incentive measures.	None	None
Decision III/18	Encourages incorporation of biodiversity considerations into impact assessments (14).	Biodiversity issues	None
Decision III/18	Invites sharing experiences, and making case studies available to secretariat.	Make cast studies on incentive measures available to Secretariat.	
Decision III/21	Urges parties to ensure conservation of wetlands, migratory species and their habitats are incorporated into national strategies to preserve biological diversity.	Information on wetlands, migratory species and their habitats.	
Decision III/21	Invites parties to other conventions to explore opportunities for accessing GEF funds.	Information on other conventions.	
Decision III/22	Invites parties to comment on operation of COPs, and on medium and longer term work programmes.	Comments on operation of COP, review medium-term programme of work 1995-1997; review longer term programme.	one-off, 31 March 1997
Decision III/24	Requests parties and others to contribute to trust fund.	None	None

EC Birds Directive

Article	*Summary*	*Information Required*	*Reporting Cycle*
Article 2	Relates to the general obligations of Member states to take appropriate measures to protect species listed in Appendix I. Lists issues that should be considered.	Identify those Appendix I species occurring within national boundaries. Information on the population levels of these species, ecology, cultural requirements.	None
Article 3	States activities that Member states should take in relation to Article 2, in terms of maintaining sufficient diversity of habitat to support the birds listed above. This should involve the creation of protected areas, management of areas outside the protected zones, re-establishment of destroyed biotopes and creation of biotopes.	Identify: appropriate habitats for bird species listed under Article 2; state of these habitats; existing appropriate protected areas; management regimes of areas outside these protected areas; areas appropriate for creation of new biotopes.	None
Article 4.1	States the need for Annex 1 species' habitats to be conserved specially for survival and reproduction within their area of distribution. Notes that special account should be given to a) species in danger of extinction; b) species vulnerable to specific changes in their habitat; c) species considered rare because of small populations or restricted local distribution; d) other species requiring particular attention for reasons of the specific nature of their habitat. Member States should classify special protection areas to conserve these species.	Identify nationally occurring Annex 1: species in danger of extinction; vulnerable to habitat change; with small population; requiring particular attention. Identify existing and potential areas suitable for protection of these species.	None
Article 4.2	As Article 4.1, but in relation to migratory species not included in Annex 1, mindful of breeding, moulting, wintering areas, and staging posts and particular paying attention to wetlands.	Identification of relevant migratory species. Identification of sea and land areas of importance to these birds for breeding, wintering etc.	None
Article 4.3	Member States should send Commission all relevant information relating to Article 4.1 & 4.2, to allow the Commission to co-ordinate activities.	All relevant information in relation to the migratory birds and their habitats as listed in 4.1 and 4.2.	None specified
Article 4.4	Member States should act to avoid pollution of, or habitat degradation both within and without protection areas of relevance to migratory birds see Article 4.1 and 4.2. NOTE Superseded by Article 7 Habitats Directive	Information on levels of pollution and habitat degradation of areas identified in 4.1 and 4.2.	None
Article 5	Relates to human threats to birds. States should take actions to protect Article 1 birds from killing, nest destruction, removing eggs, disturbance of capture.	Information on existing legislation and policies prohibiting these activities.	

Article	*Summary*	*Information Required*	*Reporting Cycle*
Article 6.1	Relates to bird trade. Details the various types of sale of Article 1 birds that States should prohibit.	Information on any trade in Article 1 birds. Information on existing legislation prohibiting such trade.	None
Article 6.2	Relates to reduction in restrictions listed under 6.1, in relation to Annex III/1 listed birds providing they have been legally killed, captured or acquired.	Information on method of killing and capture of Annex III/1 birds.	None
Article 6.3	States may apply same conditions to Annex III/2 species making provision for certain restrictions. States considering such authorisation to market must consult the Commission on the impact on the species.	Impact of marketing on a species. Information on method of killing and capture of Annex III/2 birds.	None
Article 6.4	States may apply national rules to Annex III/3 species until Commission decides otherwise.		
Article 7.1	States may permit hunting of Annex II species if conservation status is not jeopardised	Information on population levels of Annex II species.	None
Article 7.2	Annex II/1listed species may be hunted on land and sea.		None
Article 7.3	Annex II/2 species may be hunted only in Member States in respect of which they are indicated.		None
Article 7.4	Member States should ensure that any hunting is conducted according to national measures, and that it complies with ecologically balanced control of the species concerned and especially during reproduction and rearing season. States should send the Commission all relevant information on the practical applications of all hunting regulations.	Information on national measures relating to hunting birds. All relevant information on the application of hunting regulations.	None
Article 8	States shall ban capture or killing methods etc. which might lead to local disappearance of a species especially those on Annex IVa. Similarly, hunting from modes of transport etc. listed in Annex IVb should be banned.	Information on existing measures banning killing or capture of species especially those listed on Annex IVa.	None

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Article 9	Allows States to derogate from Art 5-8 provisions if no suitable alternative is available according to specific criteria that are listed. States issues that the derogations must specify, such as species involved, methods of capture permitted. States must report to the Commission on implementation of this article.	The species which are subject to the derogations, the means, arrangements or methods authorised for capture or killing, the conditions of risk and the circumstances of time and place under which such derogations may be granted. The authority empowered to declare that the required conditions are obtained and to decide what means, arrangements or methods may be used, within what limits and by whom, the controls which will be carried out.	Yearly
Article 10	States to encourage research etc. to conserve birds of Art 1 and Annex V.	Any information to enable Commission to co-ordinate research	None give
Article 11	Introductions of non-native species must not prejudice local wildlife.	Information on impact of introduction of non-native species on local fauna and flora.	None given
Article 12	States to submit report on implementation of national provisions.	Information on all actions taken by the Party in implementation of the Directive.	Every 3 years
Article 13	Application of the measures taken pursuant to this Directive may not lead to deterioration in the present situation as regards the conservation of species of birds referred to in Article 1.	Monitoring or surveillance of the status of birds listed in Article 1.	None
Article 14	States may introduce stricter protective measures than those provided for under this Directive.		None
Article 18	States should introduce legislation, regulations etc. to comply with Directive and inform the Commission.	Information on existing legal and administrative measures.	Immediately after implementation and within 2 year

EU Habitats Directive

Article	*Summary*	*Information Required*	*Reporting Cycle*
Article 3	Sets up Natura 2000, a European ecological network of special areas of conservation which host habitat types listed in Annex I or habitats of species in Annex II. Natura 2000 will include special protection areas from Birds Directive. Each member state should designate special areas of conservation concern. States should try to improve the ecological coherence of Natura 2000 by maintaining landscape features of major importance to fauna and flora.	Information on national natural habitat types listed in Appendix I, or providing habitats of species listed in Appendix II. Information on relevant special protection areas identified under Birds Directive. Identification of landscape features of major importance to fauna and flora, such as rivers, ponds & small woods essential for migration or dispersal of wild species.	
Article 4.1	States should propose a list of sites representing Annex I habitat types & Annex 2 species habitats using Annex III criteria & relevant science. The list should be transmitted to the Commission within 3 years of notification of this Directive, with information on each site.	List or representative sites. Map of site, name, location, extent and data resulting from application of Annex III Stage 1 criteria.	One-off, within 3 yrs of notification of directive
Article 4.2-5.(See also Article 6)	In agreement with the Commission, Member States should identify draft list of sites of importance to the Community. Provisos allow for flexibility in site selection.	National draft list of sites see Article 4.1 above. Information on sites for which priority natural habitat type or species occurrence represents more than 5% of their national territory.	within 6 years of Directive notification + 6 yr?
Article 6	Sets out responsibilities of Member States in regard to the management of Special Areas of Conservation.	Information relating to management of Special Areas of Conservation.	one-off
Article 7	Relates to Article 4.4 of the Birds Directive. Obligations in Articles 6-2, 6-3, 6-4 to this Directive replace obligations under the Birds Directive Art 4-4.	Information on obligations of Article 4.4 of the Birds Directive.	
Article 8	Proposals for sites should include estimates of co-financing necessary to comply with obligations. Commission & States will identify essential measures to maintain or re-establish habitat. Both Commission & State shall assess finance needed to meet obligations. Commission will prioritise action according to available co-finance. Non-priority sites shall be reviewed every 2 years. States must not allow sites to deteriorate.	Financial information on the amount of co-financing necessary for State to comply with obligations.	
Article 10	States should try to improve ecological coherence of Natura 2000 by conserving landscape features which promote migration, dispersal & genetic exchange.	Identification of landscape features of importance to migrations, dispersal and genetic exchange, such as rives, ponds, small woods etc.).	

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Article	*Summary*	*Information Required*	*Reporting Cycle*
Article 11	States should monitor conservation status of habitats and species referred to in Article 2.	Monitoring and surveillance of habitats and species referred to in Article 2.	
Article 12	States shall act to strictly protect animals listed in Annex IV (a). Lists activities that are prohibited. States should monitor any capture & killing of Animals in Annex IV (a) & ensure that incidental killing or capture does not adversely affect the species.	Information on existing management measures, and biological information to ensure no negative impact is made on the species. Information to allow monitoring of incidental capture and killing.	
Article 13	States to ensure strict protection of Annex IVb plants at all stages in life cycle.	Information on existing management measures.	
Article 14	States should monitor wild collection of species in Annex V, and take appropriate management measures if necessary to limit this activity.	Assessment of population dynamics of all Annex V species occurring within national boundaries. Information concerning existing relevant management measures.	
Article 15	States should ban killing or disturbance by indiscriminate means, where control of species is permitted.	Information on existing management measures regulating killing or capture of Annex IV a species	
Article 16	Sets out conditions under which a States may derogate from the provisions of Articles 12,13, 14 & 15. States should report every two years on derogations applied, according to the format outlined.	Reports should name the species which are subject to the derogations and the reason for the derogation, including the nature of the risk, with, if appropriate, a reference to alternatives rejected and scientific data used; the means, devices or methods authorised for the capture or killing of animal species and the reasons for their use; the circumstances of when and where such derogations are granted; the authority empowered to declare and check that the required conditions obtain and to decide what means, devices or methods may be used, within what limits and by what agencies, and which persons are to carry out the task; the supervisory measures used and the results obtained.	every 2 years

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Article 17	States must report, in specified format, on implementation of conservation measures & their impact. [From this the Commission will prepare a composite report evaluating progress & contribution to Natura 2000. Report will be published.]	Information on the implementation of the measures taken under this Directive including information concerning the conservation measures referred to in Article 6 (1) as well as evaluation of the impact of those measures on the conservation status of the natural habitat types of Annex I and the species in Annex II and the main results of the surveillance referred to in Article 11. The report, in accordance with the format established by the committee, shall be forwarded to the Commission and made accessible to the public.	every 6 years
Article 18	States should encourage research & scientific work in respect to Articles 2 & 11 & exchange information to co-ordinate research. Scientific work to implement Articles 4 & 10 should be given attention & transboundary co-operative research encouraged.	Information in existing relevant research, and relevant research by neighbouring parties.	
Article 22	States should consider the desirability of re-introducing species in Annex IV that are native to their territory, particularly in consideration of experience from Member States, regulate any re-introductions, and inform Committee of activities.	Assessment of possible effects on native re-introductions and non-native introductions. Information on similar activities within Member States or elsewhere.	one-off
Article 23	States should introduce legislation, regulations & administrative procedures to enforce this Directive, and should refer to the Directive in such legislation, and inform the Commission of the legislation.	Inform Commission of national legislation, and its main provisions	one-off

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Article 2.1	Calls for designation of suitable wetlands, the boundaries of which should be precisely described and delimited on a map.	List of designated important wetlands, and descriptions and maps of the wetlands	As soon as known
Article 2.4	At least one wetland must be added to list when a country signs the Convention.	Information on wetlands of importance.	on signature of convention
Article 2.5	Parties may add, remove, or alter boundaries of wetlands.	Procedure and amendment information on wetlands of importance.	as soon as known
Article 2.6	Parties shall consider international obligations when designating wetlands, or amending the list.	knowledge of international obligations relating to wetlands	when designating wetlands
Article 2.2 -2.3	Guidelines for selection of habitats for inclusion on the Ramsar List.	Knowledge of guidelines for selecting wetlands.	when designating sites
Article 3.1	Parties shall formulate and implement planning for the conservation and wise use of listed wetlands and other wetlands in their territory.	planning obligations	as soon as possible
Article 3.2	Each party shall make arrangements to be informed of any change (past, present or predicted) due to human interference.	monitoring information on sites of importance	as soon as known
Article 4.1	Each Party shall establish wardened nature reserves on wetlands whether they are included on the list or not for the promotion of nature conservation.	protection of wetlands	when designated
Article 4.2	Each party should as far as possible compensate for any loss of habitat for those wetlands included on the list, by creating additional wetlands and habitats in the same area or elsewhere.	data on loss of wetlands	as soon as known
Article 4.3-4.5	Parties shall encourage research and exchange of wetland data; shall endeavour to increase waterfowl populations through management measures; shall promote appropriate training of personnel.	research data on wetlands' including population data, and knowledge of management measures	as soon as known
Article 5	Parties shall consult with each other with regard to transboundary wetlands; and endeavour to co-ordinate on areas of policy and regulation.	knowledge of wetlands shared - transboundary; and knowledge of policy and protection	as soon as known
Article 6.1-6.2	Establishment of Conference of Parties; and its areas of competency.	none	N/A

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Article 6.3	Parties shall ensure that those responsible for wetlands management shall be informed of, and take into consideration, recommendations of COPs.	transfer of information from COPs to wetland managers	as soon as known
Article 6.4-6.6	Obligations of contracting parties at COPs; adoption of rules of procedure; establish and review financial regulations; shall contribute to the budget.	knowledge of procedure and financial regulations	as soon as possible for COPs
Article 7	Representation of parties at COPs and voting arrangements.	knowledge of voting arrangements	as soon as possible for COPs
Article 8	Assignation of bureau duties; and description of those duties.	none	N/A
Article 9-10	Procedural information on the signature, ratification and accession to the convention; and date of convention coming into force for contracting parties.	none	N/A
Article 10 bis	Procedures for amendment of the convention by contracting parties.	knowledge of amendment procedure	upon signature
Article 11	Length of time that a party is committed to the convention; and procedures of withdrawal.	knowledge of time commitment to Convention and procedures of withdrawal	upon signature
Article 12	Duties of the Depository	none	N/A
Recommendation 1.5	Parties should prepare inventories of wetlands and their resources as an aid to the formulation and implementation of national wetland policies.	inventories of wetlands and biological resources	as soon as known
Recommendation 2.1	Submission of detailed national reports for the purpose of monitoring implementation of the Convention (re-stated in Recommendation 4.3).	Detailed national reports for the purpose of monitoring implementation of the Convention (re-stated in Recommendation 4.3).	At least six months prior to COPs
Recommendation 2.3	Action points for priority attention. Comprehensive national wetlands policies based on 5 approaches: scientific; policy and law; management, education and public awareness; and special site measures.	National data collection, research and monitoring	none
Recommendation 3.2	Recommends urgent research be undertaken to investigate recent declines in numbers of waders, and that waterfowl hunting statistics be collected, to allow better management of flyway populations.	research data on population numbers	as soon as known

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Recommendation 3.3	Parties should giver particular attention to wise use of wetlands by promotion of policies that containing: national inventory; identification of benefits & value; definition of site priorities; environmental impact assessment; ethical development funds; regulated use of wild fauna and flora.	knowledge of current wetland policy, and current use of wetland sites	as soon as known
Recommendation 3.9	Urges all parties to take swift & effective action to prevent further degradation of sites and to restore, as far as possible , the value of damage sites.	knowledge of current policy/legislation available for conservation of wetlands, or others procedures available to prevent degradation	as soon as known
Recommendation 4.1	All parties examine the possibility of establishing wetland restoration projects; the country agencies responsible for wetlands should have 'wetland restoration' in their mission; and should seek out restoration opportunities.	Parties should supply the bureau with available documentation on different stages of restoration projects.	As soon as known
Recommendation 4.5	Education should be placed as a high priority; educational programme should be provided at key reserves; establish special educational reserves; provide adequate training courses at all levels in-country. Urges that sufficient money from wetland conservation budgets be devoted to training.	current educational programmes, national curricula activities. Training needs of staff.	as soon as possible
Recommendation 4.6	Parties should establish, national scientific inventories of wetlands showing those which are of international importance.	inventory of wetlands and reasons for importance	as soon as known
Recommendation 4.4	Parties should establish: national networks of nature reserves covering listed and non-listed wetlands; conservation education programmes linked to these networks. Parties should: compile national inventories detailing the location and value of wetlands; Parties should review legal mechanisms for establishment and protection of wetland nature reserves	national inventories of wetlands; knowledge of current education programmes, and wetland oriented groups and management authorities. Legal mechanisms covering aspects of wetland conservation	as soon as possible
Recommendation 5.3	Calls for establishment of strict protection measures for Ramsar sites and wetland reserves of small size or particular sensitivity. Emphasises the needs to develop zoning measures related to larger Ramsar sites	knowledge of protection measures available, and management measures	as soon as possible
Resolution 5.9	Nations should follow IUCN's guidelines as basis for application of Section 2 of the Ramsar criteria	knowledge IUCN's guidelines for identifying sites of importance	as soon as possible
Recommendation 4.8	Parties should take swift action to absolve threats to wetlands ecological character.	knowledge of threats to wetlands, and legislation/policy available to prevent	as soon as possible

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Recommendation 4.12	Parties should participate in internationally co-ordinated waterfowl surveys, and undertake surveys of their territory. Urges contracting parties situated along the same flyway to cooperate with regard to financial assistance and expertise sharing.	population data and survey methods. Identification of expertise and areas of co-operation with other territories	as soon as possible
Recommendation 4.13	Calls on parties to urge development banks and agencies to advance conservation and wise use of wetlands through improved technical assistance, and consideration of these issues early on in planning process. Parties should ensure that their representatives to the banks adopt voting standards in support of conservation and wise use of wetlands	knowledge of donor policies for TA and funding in relation to wetlands	as soon as possible
Recommendation 5.5	Calls on parties in developed countries to: review development co-operation policies - to support country -driven projects with a view to assisting developing countries fulfil Ramsar obligations; strengthen bilateral and multilateral co-operation in the field of wetland conservation with countries whose economies are in transition. Parties invite their national grant ministers to COPs	Current co-operation policies, and areas for improvement	as soon as known
Recommendation 5.4	Calls for parties to pay special attention to major role of wetlands as habitats for a wide range of endangered species (cf. Convention on Biological Diversity).	biological data and knowledge of CBD	as soon as known
Recommendation 5.6	Recommends that contracting parties support the development and functioning of national and international Wetland NGOs. Encourages parties to consult NGOs, provide them with relevant information and offer opportunities for policy contribution	knowledge of relevant NGOs and areas of collaboration/support	as soon as known
Recommendation 5.7	Parties are encouraged to establish, or recognise establishment of national committees (with input from GO and NGOs) - to provide a focus for convention implementation. National Committees should send the Bureau information on their establishment and references to their work in national reports.	Information on National Committees contribution to National Reports	Every three years (before COP)
Recommendation 5.8	Parties should develop public awareness of wetland values at reserves in their own territory. Special efforts should be made in this regard to co-ordinate internationally on raising public awareness. A share of the 'Wetland Conservation Fund' should be allocated to education and public awareness.	current public awareness policies, and possible areas of international co-operation.	as soon as known
Recommendation 5.9	Parties should supply experts for co-operation with the Convention Bureau and others on formulating proposals on criteria to be used when identifying wetlands of international importance esp. for fishery interests, and to develop guidelines on application of criteria.	knowledge of expertise available and areas of co-operation on proposals, and development of guidelines	as soon as known

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Recommendation 5.10	Parties in co-operation with partners and other NGOs, initiate development of public awareness programmes on values and functions of wetlands.	knowledge of public awareness programmes and areas of co-operation with relevant NGOs and other partners	as soon as known
Recommendation 5.13	Parties are urged to act in pursuance of the objectives of Agenda 21 and other relevant international agreements; CITES and CBD - regarding trade in wetland products and wise use of wetlands in the Neotropical Region	knowledge of relevant biodiversity related conventions having influence on wetlands or wetland species	as soon as known
Recommendation 5.15	Recommends parties to provide translation to/from the local vernacular language at conferences of the parties.	provision of language expertise	for COPs
Recommendation 6.1	Parties should maintain or give priority to the inventory and evaluation of peatlands in their territories; nominate additional peatland ecosystems as Ramsar sites (Res. 5.6 Section II.1). 'Wise use' guidelines should be fully applied by parties for all wetlands, and International mechanisms for co-ordination peatland should be expanded. Parties should support research programs.	Inventory of all peatlands in territory, identification of sites as important. Knowledge of Guidelines for 'Wise Use' to be applied to all wetlands. Possible areas of international co-operation on peatlands	as soon as known
Recommendation 6.2	Parties should integrate clearly environmental considerations into planning decisions. Parties, national and international organisations are invited to submit to the Bureau guidelines on environmental appraisal and EIA relevant to wetlands as an aid to 'wise use', and so that the Bureau maintains an overview on the subject.	Information on environmental appraisal methods and guidelines.	Before COP 7
Recommendation 6.3	Parties should: make special efforts to encourage participation of local and indigenous peoples at wetland sites: recognise value of local and traditional knowledge management; consider representation from peoples on Ramsar committees; develop national and local mechanisms ensuring consultation of peoples in national policies and programs	Information on use of wetlands by local people (traditional use), and possible mechanisms for their involvement in policies and programmes	as soon as known
Recommendation 6.5	Parties should: seek resources from their governments to establish wetland manager training programmes; give priority in funding support to developing country representatives in wetland manager training programmes through the Ramsar Small Grants Fund.	financial needs	as soon as known
Recommendation 6.6	Urges parties to consider contributing resources under sponsorship arrangements to allow the establishment and maintenance of regionally-based Ramsar Liaison Officers	financial needs	as soon as known
Recommendation 6.7	Urges parties to designate areas of coral reefs and associated ecosystems for inclusion on Ramsar	biological data on coral reef habitats and importance	as soon as known

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Recommendation 6.8	Calls for parties to: adopt and apply strategic planning and integrated coastal zone management principles to assist decision-making on the conservation and wise use of coastal wetlands and components; ensure strategic planning and EIAs are carried out in the coastal zone competently and in a timely fashion to meet the objective of wise management	knowledge of planning and management of coastal zone, knowledge of 'wise use' policies applicable to the coastal zone.	as soon as known
Recommendation 6.9	Calls on parties to provide summary information and copies of relevant National Wetland Policy to the Bureau, for preparation of a Framework Document on development and implementation of National Wetland Policies. Parties with expertise are urged to share this staff time with other Ramsar Parties initiating such a policy	Copies of National Wetland Policy	As soon as known
Recommendation 6.10	Invites support from parties on initiative to 'promote co-operation on the economic valuation of wetlands'.	economic value of wetlands	as soon as known
Recommendation 6.12	Parties should reinforce or start processes for consultation and knowledge dissemination between public and private sectors and NGOs, to promote and enhance wetland conservation and wise use in relation to private or public funded activities that may negatively affect wetlands.	Report on the progress of this process to be added into forthcoming National Reports to the Convention	Every 3 years (6 months before COP)
Recommendation 6.13	Parties are called upon to prepare and implement more management plans for wetlands.	current management of wetlands, and needs for further development and implementation	as soon as known
Recommendation 6.14	Calls on parties to recognise the adverse impact of toxic chemicals on wetlands, and that this is not compatible the 'wise use' concept. Parties should: provide information in their National Reports on their efforts to remedy and to prevent pollution impacts; recognise the importance of the communities right to know with respect to toxic chemicals.	Information on efforts to remedy or prevention wetland pollution should be contained in National Reports.	Every 3 years (6 months before COP)
Recommendation 6.15	Restoration of Wetlands: parties should: see restoration as a high priority; integrate restoration of wetlands into existing national policies; take steps to restore key sites; include section on restoration in National Reports for 7 meeting. Parties are urged to collaborate with S&T Review Panel to help define guidelines and to produce a list of sites in need of restoration.	knowledge of existing national policies. List of national sites in need of restoration. Steps taken towards restoration and monitoring of restoration.	To be included in 7th COP
Resolution 3.2	Resolution on Budgetary and Financial matters. Parties are urged to make first payment and to make voluntary payments to cover budget deficiencies.	Financial	N/A
Resolution 4.4	Cf Article 5. Recommends that parties provide the Bureau with all relevant information on wetlands and water systems to enable to obligations to be fully met.	All Information on wetlands and water systems in territory.	as soon as known

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Resolution 5.3	Procedure for initial designation of sites for Ramsar list. New sites should fulfil criteria of Rec. 4.2. Completed Ramsar datasheet should be submitted to Bureau upon designation of site. Parties should consult existing regional wetland inventories to assist in identifying potential Ramsar sites.	Regional inventories of wetlands, list of designated sites, datasheets on sites as well as boundary maps	N/A
Resolution 4.5	At least one wetland must be added to list when a country signs the Convention	Data on wetlands	N/A
Resolution 5.6	Cf.Art 3.1 and Rec. 4.10. Contracting Parties should implement the guidelines on wise use of wetlands in a more systematic and effective manner. Parties are invited to strengthen international co-operation between developed and developing or transitional countries for the wise use guidelines.	Knowledge of wise use guidelines and their current implementation Internationally, nationally and locally.	N/A
Resolution 5.7	Contracting parties should develop management plans for each wetland designated on Ramsar list. Plans should be sent to the Bureau (esp. those relating to Montreux Record). Parties establish legal and administrative structures for management plans and provide funds for implementation of plans. Parties should apply guidelines (Annex to Res.5.7), and consider using them to review and update existing management plans.	List of guidelines. Current management plans, current legal and administrative mechanisms.	N/A
Resolution 5.8	Submission of applications for funding should be complete by June first each year. Parties need to provide prompt reports on the execution of approved projects for documentation of use of funds.	Project funding application and reporting procedure	Yearly
Resolution 5.9	Parties should use the concept and examples provided in IUCN's presentation at COP 4 as a basis for application of Section 2 of the Ramsar Criteria (for identifying wetlands of international importance). Parties should use figures submitted to COP 4 by Wetlands International (was IWRB) as a basis for application on Section 3 (esp. (c)) of the criteria, and supply them with figures and comments at regular intervals.	Knowledge of concepts presented by IUCN and IWRB at COP 4. Knowledge of Ramsar Criteria. Figures on animal and plant population levels at sites.	'Regular updates' required
Resolution 5.3	New sites must fulfil one or more of the criteria	Completed RIS and map should be submitted to Ramsar Bureau	as soon as known
Resolution 5.4	Guidelines for operating the Montreux Record of listed sites - where change in ecological character had occurred, was occurring, or was likely to occur 9 (see also Annex to Resolution VI/I Montreux Record - Questionnaire)	Understanding of the Montreux Record its guidelines and applications. Knowledge of ecological character of listed sites	as soon as known
Resolution VI/1	Calls on Parties to support development of early warning systems for detecting, and initiating action in response to change in ecological character (Annex 1 to resolution VI.I describes the working definitions).	Knowledge of Early Warning System development + who the relevant authority is developing the system	N/A

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Resolution VI/2	Adoption of criteria based on fish for identifying Ramsar sites (and Annex to resolution VI/2 - guidelines for their application) Calls on parties to use the criteria and guidelines to identify sites for inclusion in the Ramsar list, and to designate those sites identified.	Understanding of Criteria 4(a) and (b) and its guidelines for application.	N/A
Resolution VI/4	Adoption of population estimates for operation of specific criteria based on waterfowl (See also Resolution 5.9). Calls on parties to use the waterfowl estimates and thresholds developed by Wetlands International as a basis for designation of Ramsar sites in the next three triennia.	Estimates and Thresholds of waterfowl when published by Wetlands International,	N/A
Resolution VI/5	Inclusion of subterranean Karst and cave wetland systems. Parties should assess the significance of and consider designating sites in these categories as Ramsar sites.	Biological data on these sites	N/A
Resolution VI/6	Parties are invited to support the fundraising efforts of the Secretary General the 'Ramsar Small Grants Fund for Wetland Conservation' and if in a position to do so, to contribute generously to the fund	none	N/A
Resolution VI/9	Parties are encouraged to actively contribute to the goals of the Convention on Biological Diversity; by ensuring the wetland biodiversity components are included into plans, programmes or strategies and projects at the national level. Invites parties to strengthen co-ordination of approach between the 2 conventions.	Knowledge of the goals of the CBD and areas of overlap with the Ramsar Convention.	N/A
Resolution VI/10	Cooperation with the GEF and its implementing agencies: World bank, UNDP and UNEP. Parties are invited at the national level to co-ordinate their approaches to Ramsar and GEF	Knowledge of GEF:World Bank/UNDP/UNEP activities and areas of cooperation/co-ordination	N/A
Resolution VI/12	National Wetland Inventories and candidate sites for listing. Encourages parties to include all wetlands on national scientific inventories. Urges parties to recognise fully its identified sites meeting criteria approved by COP	Knowledge of all wetland ecosystems in territories. Knowledge of Ramsar criteria and those sites which meet them.	N/A
Resolution VI/19	Education and Public Awareness: Parties are urged to support the initiatives of the Wetlands International Specialist Group on Education and Public Awareness, and other EPA networks to implement the EPA programme in the strategic plan 1997-2002.	Knowledge of the strategic plan 1997-2002 and its requirements.	N/A
Resolution VI/21	The Bureau in consultation with Parties over the next triennium establishes; review process on guidelines for national reporting; and, agreed procedure for assessing the state of wetland resources.	knowledge of current national reporting processes and wetland assessment procedure	by next COP with National reports

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Resolution VI/23	Ramsar and Water: Calls on parties to encourage: links with organisations to support hydrological monitoring networks; study of traditional water management systems; studies on economic value of water in wetlands. Ensure: national Ramsar committees involved in planning/ development of river basin; decision-making processes are participatory; through partnerships that the convention becomes and audible voice in debates. Continue and strengthen support for Art 4.5 of Convention, focusing on hydrology.	Knowledge of current hydrological expertise and links with organisations in this area.	N/A
Resolution VI/13	Submission of information on sites designated for the Ramsar list of wetlands of International Importance. Provide Ramsar Bureau with maps and information sheets on all designated Ramsar sites within their territories and keep under revision.	Information Sheets and maps of designated sites	31 December 1997 and every 6 years (every 2 COP)
Resolution VI/16	Upon accession to the convention; each state shall provide boundaries and description of listed wetlands. Each additional site designated after shall also be described and delimited on a map. Parties are invited to: provide at time of designation a completed information sheet on Ramsar, paying attention to Resolution 5.3 subjects; and enter into informal consultations with Bureau.	Boundaries and descriptions of sites, and a completed information sheets on Ramsar wetlands.	N/A
Notification 1998/1	Report of national activities and identification of sites of importance.	Information on activities undertaken since last COP. Report for COP7 to be received by Ramsar Bureau. Report format presented.	Report for COP7 to by 1 Sep 98

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Article	*Information required*	*Information categories (see Appendix A)*										
		1	*2*	*3*	*4*	*5*	*6*	*7*	*8*	*9*	*10*	*11*
Chapter 1 Article 2	none											
Chapter 1 Article 3	Fauna and flora species lists, particularly those that are threatened or endemic. List of habitat types, particularly those that are endangered. Information on any national policies with an impact on wild fauna or flora.	Y	Y			Y						
Chapter 2 Article 4.1 (see also Resolution 1)	Identification of Appendix 1 fauna and flora species and list of endangered habitats occurring within national boundaries. Knowledge of existing relevant legislation.		Y		Y							
	Data indicating the conservation requirements of areas protected under 4.1		Y				Y					
Chapter 2 Article 4.3 (see also Resolution 1)	List of migratory species included on Appendices II & III, that occur within national boundaries. Information of areas that are of importance to migratory species.		Y								Y	
Chapter 2 Article 4.4 (see also Resolution 1)	Identification of trans-boundary protected areas.	Y	Y									
Chapter 3 Article 5	List of Appendix I flora occurring within national boundaries. Information on existing management measures.	Y	Y			Y						
Chapter 3 Article 6 (see also Resolution 1)	Identification of Appendix II fauna occurring within national boundaries, and data on their breeding and resting sites. Information on any internal trade in these species or derivatives of these species.	Y	Y								Y	

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		1	*2*	*3*	*4*	*5*	*6*	*7*	*8*	*9*	*10*	*11*
Chapter 3 Article 7	Identification of Appendix III fauna occurring within national boundaries. Information relating to the biological needs of these species, such as breeding season or population size that would indicate extent of closed season, or need for prohibition of exploitation to allow populations to recover.	Y	Y									
Chapter 3 Article 8 (see also Resolution 2)	Information on existing management measures.	Y										
Chapter 3 Article 9.1 (see also Resolutions 1,2)	Repeat of data required under Articles 4 to 8.	Y	Y								Y	
Chapter 3 Article 9.2 (see also Resolutions 1,2)	Details of populations which have been killed or controlled, how this control was carried out, the controls and risks involved, and the regulating authority.	Y	Y								Y	
Chapter 4 Article 10	Identification of those migratory species listed on Appendices I, II & III whose range extends into a Party's territory. Information on existing policy relating to closed seasons.	Y	Y			Y						
Chapter 5 Article 11	List of protected species not included on Appendices I or II. Information on impact of re-introduction of species on the environment prior to the re-introduction being implemented.	Y	Y				Y					
Chapter 5 Article 12	Knowledge of other policy and legislation				Y	Y						
Resolution 1 1989 SC	information on existing management	Y										
Resolution 2 1993	Information on exceptions allowed to Articles 4,5,6,7 & 8, only including a) general exceptions; b) individual exceptions if they are so numerous as to result in a generalise practice; c) individual exceptions concerning more than ten individuals of a species; d) individual exceptions concerning individuals of endangered or vulnerable populations of species.									Y		
Resolution 3 1996	Identification of areas of special conservation interest, appropriate for inclusion in EMERALD network.		Y									

Article	*Information required*	*Information categories (see Appendix A)* 1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Recommendation 3 (1984)	Inventory of important peatlands, heathlands and dry grasslands, including identification of those that are currently protected.	Y	Y		Y							
Recommendation 4 (1986)	List of reservations submitted to the standing committee, concerning Appendices I-IV.				Y					Y		
Recommendation 5 (1986)	Information on existing legislation and administrative measures, allowing prosecution of people or organisations involved in illegally catching or killing birds, or commercialising live or dead protected birds. Information on measures in place to promote education about need to conserve birds and habitats.	Y			Y	Y				Y		
Recommendation 7	Location of turtle nesting beaches. Information on any developments proposed for these areas. Information for inclusion in environmental impact assessment of any or these areas proposed for development. Summary of existing research relevant to turtle conservation. Knowledge of those States with similar programmes, to ensure co-operation, and relevant scientific societies and international organisations. Information on existing information campaigns supporting turtle conservation. Information on present regulations concerning commercialising marine turtles and their derivatives.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y			Y		
Recommendation 11	Location of common seal breeding and nesting sites. Information on location of virus affected populations. Information on the damage done by common seals to fishing operations. Information on existing research activities relating to common seals, including population size.		Y				Y				Y	
Recommendation 14 (1989)	Identify species including migratory species requiring specific conservation measures, particularly endangered species requiring recovery plans. Identify endangered habitats requiring conservation measures.	Y	Y	Y							Y	
Recommendation 15 (1989)	Summary of all exceptions granted under Article 9.				Y					Y		

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Recommendation 16 (1989)	Lists of: threatened species; endemic species; Appendix I & II listed species occurring within the territory. Information on habitat occurrence, particularly: areas of high species diversity; important or endangered habitat types; outstanding habitat example; habitat important for migratory species.	Y	Y								Y	
Recommendation 18 1989	Information on population size of crayfish species. Information on trade in crayfish. Information on health of farm-bred crayfish. Information on distribution of non-native crayfish.	Y	Y								Y	
Recommendation 21	Information on distribution, population size, threats and general ecology of Hymenoptera.	Y	Y								Y	
Recommendation 22	Information on distribution, population size, threats and general ecology of pearl mussels.	Y	Y								Y	
Recommendation 25 1991	Information on existing protection measures, and all plans and policies including those relating to landuse, technology. Location of sites of special conservation interest. Location of roads, railways, high-voltage lines, watercourses, landscape features, ecologically sensitive areas.	Y		Y	Y	Y						
Recommendation 26 1991	Distribution of populations of Lacerta agilis. List of conservation measures in place to support Lacerta agilis.	Y	Y	Y							Y	
Recommendation 27 1991	Distribution of populations of Triturus cristatus and Bufo calamita. List of conservation measures in place to support these species.	Y	Y	Y							Y	
Recommendation 28 1991	Monitoring of use of lead and non-toxic shot.										Y	
Recommendation 29 1991	Identification of wetland invertebrates, monitoring of population dynamics, information on all aspects of their biology and ecology. Information on number of invertebrate taxonomists. Identify endangered wetland invertebrates.	Y	Y							Y	Y	

Article	*Information required*	*Information categories (see Appendix A)* 1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Recommendation 30	Population, ecological and distribution data on Appendix I listed plants occurring within territory, including information on existing conservation measures.	Y	Y	Y		Y					Y	
Recommendation 36 1992	National inventories of underground habitats of high biological value. List of underground habitats already protected. Identify underground invertebrate species requiring special conservation measures. List most endangered sites for troglodytic species. List protected underground sites.	Y	Y									
Recommendation 39 1993												
Recommendation 40 1993	Information on those species for which recovery plans have been prepared and implemented.		Y	Y							Y	
Recommendation 41 1993	Information on conservation status, distribution and ecology of freshwater fish. Details of existing management plans.	Y	Y								Y	
Recommendation 43	List of Appendix A & B mammals occurring within the territory, information on mammal population size and identification of small populations. List of existing management plans & policies affecting mammals.	Y	Y								Y	
Recommendation 44 (1995)	Identify and monitor plants on each Appendix that occur within the territory of the Party. Information on population dynamics and ecology of these species.		Y								Y	
Recommendation 47	Identify and monitor semi-aquatic insectivora that occur within the territory of the Party, particularly Neomys spp.., Desmana moschata and Galemys pyrenaicus. Gather information on population dynamics and ecology of these species.		Y								Y	
Recommendation 48 1996	Identify those birds listed on Appendix that occur within national boundaries. Identify existing relevant national action plans.	Y	Y		Y	Y						
Recommendation 49 1996	Identify those plants listed on Appendix that occur within national boundaries. Identify existing relevant national action plans.	Y	Y		Y	Y						

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		1	*2*	*3*	*4*	*5*	*6*	*7*	*8*	*9*	*10*	*11*
Recommendation 51 1996	Identify those invertebrates listed on Appendix that occur within national boundaries. Identify existing relevant national action plans.	Y	Y		Y	Y						
Recommendation 52 1996	Identify appropriate habitats. List recovery plans for these species.	Y	Y								Y	
Recommendation 53 1996	Identify existing otter conservation programmes. Monitor otter populations, population size, ecology, habitats etc.. Identify similar measures in neighbouring countries. Identify processes and categories of activities with or likely to have adverse impact on otter habitats.	Y	Y	Y		Y					Y	
Guidelines on the taking of the pearl mussel ...1992	Data on existing relevant legislation.				Y							
Guidelines ...wild cat 1992	Any existing information on wild cat distribution, and wild cat and feral cat biology, particularly genetic data relating to hybridisation.	Y	Y								Y	
Guidelines ...recovery plans-amphibians & reptiles	Identify those amphibia and reptiles listed on Appendix that occur within national boundaries. Identify existing relevant national action and recovery plans.	Y	Y			Y					Y	
Monaco Declaration	Information on the extent to which the issues listed under summary have already been implemented.		Y				Y				Y	Y

Article	*Information required*	*Information categories (see Appendix A)* 1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Articles 1 & 2	none											
Article 3	List of all App 1 Species List of species		Y									
Article 3	Species used in extraordinary circumstances	Y										
Article 4	List of all App 2 Species		Y									
Article 4	Copy of Range State Agreements	Y										
Article 5	none											
Article 6	List of up-to-date Range State Species		Y									
Article 6	Conservation measures being taken by Range States	Y										
Article 6	Which species they are a Range State of		Y									
Article 7	Contribution to next financial periods budget					Y						Y
Article 8	none											
Article 9	none											
Articles 10 & 11	none											
Article 12	none											
Articles 13-20	none											
Recommendation 5.1	Knowledge Range State Species covered by this agreement		Y									
Recommendation 5.2	list of App. II species in Range State, knowledge of current conservation status and measures	Y	Y	Y	Y							
COP Ch.III	Notify the Secretariat of inaccuracies in the Range State Lists		Y									

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		1	*2*	*3*	*4*	*5*	*6*	*7*	*8*	*9*	*10*	*11*
Resolution 1.4	none											
Resolution 1.5	Biological, taxonomic and all other information on species for inclusion		Y		Y							
Resolution 2.7	Keep Secretariat fully informed on conduct of agreement & make regular reports to meetings of the Parties						Y					
Resolution 3.1	lists of species in appendices. Proposals for inclusion of species on appendices		Y									
Resolution 3.2	species population and biological data		Y									
Resolution 3.3	See ASCOBANS											
Resolution 3.6	payment of contribution											Y
Resolution 5.4	Information on all facets of the Convention in line with the prioritising Annex to Resolution 5.4	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Resolution 5.5	none											
Resolution 5.6	none											

Article	*Information required*	*Information categories (see Appendix A)* 1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Article 1	none											
Article 2	Conservation, research and management measures required; designation of a co-ordinating authority; report on yearly progress and difficulties in implementing the agreement				Y	Y						
Article 3	knowledge of activities within the territory.										Y	
Article 4	none											
Article 5	none											
Articles 6-8	legal and financial procedures				Y						Y	
Advisory Committee Meeting (30/6-2/7/97)	Comprehensive research programme on cause and effect		Y									
COP 2 Annex I	none											
COP 2 Annex K	Parties and Range States make fisheries data available to enable the Advisory Committee to make estimates of annual by-catch rates		Y									
COP 2 Annex K	Parties and Range States to provide an estimate of total harbour porpoise by-catch in Skaggerak/Kattegat/Belt Sea		Y									
COP 2 Annex K	Parties and Range States continue to investigate methods to reduce catch; increase evaluation of catches and their ecological implications with regard to input from fishery industry											
COP 2 Annex L	Data on cause-effect relationships						Y					
COP 2 Annex M	Research into locations; development of guidelines and support schemes. I think I can probably keep typing now until I physically run out of space - nothing to do with character length definitions.		Y									

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Article	*Information required*	*Information categories (see Appendix A)*										
		1	*2*	*3*	*4*	*5*	*6*	*7*	*8*	*9*	*10*	*11*
COP 2 Annex N	Biological Data, habitat data, current management measures taking place	Y	Y				Y					

Bonn Convention (Eurobats)

Article	*Information required*	*Information categories (see Appendix A)*										
		1	*2*	*3*	*4*	*5*	*6*	*7*	*8*	*9*	*10*	*11*
Article 1	none											
Article 2	Communicate name and address of competent authorities				Y							
Article 3	Identify important areas under jurisdiction; take appropriate conservation measures; assign a competent authority for advice on bat conservation; safeguard populations; promote research; consider potential effects of toxins on bats	Y		Y		Y						
Article 4	Adopt and enforce legislation or administrative measures				Y							
Article 5	procedural information on party meetings and voting arrangements											
Article 6	Implementation Report of Agreement									Y		
Article 7	Amendment procedure											
Article 8-14	procedural information on lodging items with the depository of the agreement									Y		
Adv.Com. Meeting 2 (para 12)	publicity material, produced by party and NGOs									Y		
Adv.Com Meeting 2 (para 24)	national report									Y		
Adv.Com Meeting 2 (para 25-26)	national report: all information required for reports.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y

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Article 5	None	
Article 6	None	
Article 7	None	
Article 8a	None	
Article 8b	None	
Article 8c	None	
Article 8d	None	
Article 8e	None	
Article 8f	None	
Article 8g	None	
Article 8h	None	
Article 8i	None	
Article 8j	None	
Article 8k	None	
Article 8l	None	
Article 8m	None	
Article 9	None	
Article 9a	None	
Article 9b	None	

Article	Information required	Information categories (see Appendix A) 1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Article 9c	None											
Article 9d	None											
Article 9e	None											
Article 10a	None											
Article 10b	None											
Article 10c	None											
Article 10d	None											
Article 10e	None											
Article 11	None											
Article 12a	None											
Article 12b	None											
Article 12c	None											
Article 13a	None											
Article 13b	None											
Article 14a-e	Notification to potentially affected States of any imminent danger or damage to biodiversity.									Y		
Article 15	None											
Article 16	None											
Article 17	Varied									Y		
Article 18	Data relevant to development of national policy.											

CBD

Article	Information required	Information categories (see Appendix A)										
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Article 19	Data on any genetic resources supplied by developing countries to developed countries, which are then used as basis for biotechnology research. Data on any GMOs produced, including information on use and safety handling requirements demanded by such GMOs.		Y				Y					
Article 20	None											
Article 26	Measures countries have taken to implement provisions of CBD											
Decision II/8	Priority issues related to components of biological diversity under threat, based upon paragraphs 1,2,4 & 5 of SBSTAA recommendation I/3		Y									
Decision II/9	None											
Decision II/10	Marine & coastal management measures.	Y										
Decision II/11	National measures in place relating to access to genetic resources.	Y										
Decision II/17	Details of national strategies, plans and programmes for the conservation & sustainable use of biological diversity.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Decision III/4	None											
Decision III/4	None											
Decision III/4	None											
Decision III/6	Details of financial support from parties for the Convention objectives.											Y
Decision III/7	Information on experiences gained by Parties through activities funded by the financial mechanism.											Y
Decision III/9	None											

Article	Information required	Information categories (see Appendix A)										
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Decision III/9	None											
Decision III/9	None											
Decision III/9	None											
Decision III/9	None											
Decision III/10	Indicators of biological diversity. Identification of biodiversity of importance for conservation or sustainable use. Identification of processes having adverse impact.		Y									
Decision III/10	None											
Decision III/10	Effectiveness of methodologies and assessments undertaken.		Y									
Decision III/10	Inventory of collections that exist, with summary of collection contents. Knowledge of existing mechanisms for managing this information, and providing access to it. Knowledge of which countries the collections originate from.	Y	Y						Y	Y		
Decision III/11	Issues and priorities needing addressing at national level.	Y	Y		Y	Y				Y		
Decision III/14	Information on implementation of Article 8j and related articles, including national legislation and administrative and incentive measures and to include this in national reports.				Y	Y						
Decision III/14	Information on effectiveness of case studies.	Y										
Decision III/15	Information on (a) legislative, administrative and policy measures and guidelines for activities covered by Article 15, particularly access and benefit sharing; (b) national participatory processes covered by Article 15, particularly ways by which access and benefit sharing measures and guidelines, including related institutional arrangements, are developed and implemented; c) research programmes on genetic resources.				Y	Y				Y		

Article	*Information required*	*Information categories (see Appendix A)*										
		1	*2*	*3*	*4*	*5*	*6*	*7*	*8*	*9*	*10*	*11*
Decision III/15	As above, including analyses of existing services.				Y	Y				Y		
Decision III/15	Information on access measures.	Y			Y	Y						
Decision III/15	Details of national authority(y/ies) responsible for controlling access rights to genetic resources.					Y						
Decision III/15	None											
Decision III/17	Impacts of intellectual property rights on the achievement of CBD objectives.				Y	Y	Y					
Decision III/18	Existing legislation and economic policy.				Y	Y						
Decision III/18	None											
Decision III/18	Biodiversity issues		Y									
Decision III/18	Make cast studies on incentive measures available to Secretariat.	Y										
Decision III/21	Information on wetlands, migratory species and their habitats.		Y									
Decision III/21	Information on other conventions.											Y
Decision III/22	Comments on operation of COP, review medium-term programme of work 1995-1997; review longer term programme.					Y						
Decision III/24	None											

Article	*Information required*	*Information categories (see Appendix A)* 1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Article 2	Identify those Appendix I species occurring within national boundaries. Information on the population levels of these species, ecology, cultural requirements.	Y	Y		Y	Y						
Article 3	Identify: appropriate habitats for bird species listed under Article 2; state of these habitats; existing appropriate protected areas; management regimes of areas outside these protected areas; areas appropriate for creation of new biotopes.	Y								Y		
Article 4.1	Identify nationally occurring Annex 1: species in danger of extinction; vulnerable to habitat change; with small population; requiring particular attention. Identify existing and potential areas suitable for protection of these species.	Y	Y							Y		
Article 4.2	Identification of relevant migratory species. Identification of sea and land areas of importance to these birds for breeding, wintering etc.	Y	Y	Y								
Article 4.3	All relevant information in relation to the migratory birds and their habitats as listed in 4.1 and 4.2.	Y	Y		Y	Y	Y			Y	Y	Y?
Article 4.4	Information on levels of pollution and habitat degradation of areas identified in 4.1 and 4.2.	Y										
Article 5	Information on existing legislation and policies prohibiting these activities.											
Article 6.1	Information on any trade in Article 1 birds. Information on existing legislation prohibiting such trade.				Y							
Article 6.2	Information on method of killing and capture of Annex III/1 birds.									Y		
Article 6.3	Impact of marketing on a species. Information on method of killing and capture of Annex III/2 birds.		Y		Y					Y		
Article 6.4												

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Article	*Information required*	*Information categories (see Appendix A)*										
		1	*2*	*3*	*4*	*5*	*6*	*7*	*8*	*9*	*10*	*11*
Article 7.1	Information on population levels of Annex II species.	Y	Y							Y		
Article 7.2		Y	Y							Y		
Article 7.3		Y	Y							Y		
Article 7.4	Information on national measures relating to hunting birds. All relevant information on the application of hunting regulations.	Y	Y		Y	Y				Y		
Article 8	Information on existing measures banning killing or capture of species especially those listed on Annex IVa.					Y				Y		
Article 9	The species which are subject to the derogations, the means, arrangements or methods authorised for capture or killing, the conditions of risk and the circumstances of time and place under which such derogations may be granted. The authority empowered to declare that the required conditions are obtained and to decide what means, arrangements or methods may be used, within what limits and by whom, the controls which will be carried out.	Y	Y				Y			Y	Y	
Article 10	Any information to enable Commission to co-ordinate research	Y	Y									
Article 11	Information on impact of introduction of non-native species on local fauna and flora.		Y				Y					
Article 12	Information on all actions taken by the Party in implementation of the Directive.				Y	Y				Y		
Article 13	Monitoring or surveillance of the status of birds listed in Article 1.		Y								Y	
Article 14					Y	Y						
Article 18	Information on existing legal and administrative measures.				Y	Y						

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Article 3	Information on national natural habitat types listed in Appendix I, or providing habitats of species listed in Appendix II. Information on relevant special protection areas identified under Birds Directive. Identification of landscape features of major importance to fauna and flora, such as rivers, ponds & small woods essential for migration or dispersal of wild species.		Y	Y						Y		
Article 4.1	List or representative sites. Map of site, name, location, extent and data resulting from application of Annex III Stage 1 criteria.		Y	Y						Y		
Article 4.2-5.(See also Article 6)	National draft list of sites see Article 4.1 above. Information on sites for which priority natural habitat type or species occurrence represents more than 5% of their national territory.	Y	Y							Y		
Article 6	Information relating to management of Special Areas of Conservation.	Y	Y		Y	Y	Y			Y	Y	
Article 7	Information on obligations of Article 4.4 of the Birds Directive.											
Article 8	Financial information on the amount of co-financing necessary for State to comply with obligations.	Y										Y
Article 10	Identification of landscape features of importance to migrations, dispersal and genetic exchange, such as rives, ponds, small woods etc.).	Y	Y									
Article 11	Monitoring and surveillance of habitats and species referred to in Article 2.										Y	
Article 12	Information on existing management measures, and biological information to ensure no negative impact is made on the species. Information to allow monitoring of incidental capture and killing.	Y	Y		Y	Y				Y	Y	
Article 13	Information on existing management measures.	Y			Y					Y		

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Article 14	Assessment of population dynamics of all Annex V species occurring within national boundaries. Information concerning existing relevant management measures.			Y	Y		Y				Y	
Article 15	Information on existing management measures regulating killing or capture of Annex IV a species				Y					Y		
Article 16	Reports should name the species which are subject to the derogations and the reason for the derogation, including the nature of the risk, with, if appropriate, a reference to alternatives rejected and scientific data used; the means, devices or methods authorised for the capture or killing of animal species and the reasons for their use; the circumstances of when and where such derogations are granted; the authority empowered to declare and check that the required conditions obtain and to decide what means, devices or methods may be used, within what limits and by what agencies, and which persons are to carry out the task; the supervisory measures used and the results obtained.		Y			Y				Y	Y	
Article 17	Information on the implementation of the measures taken under this Directive including information concerning the conservation measures referred to in Article 6 (1) as well as evaluation of the impact of those measures on the conservation status of the natural habitat types of Annex I and the species in Annex II and the main results of the surveillance referred to in Article 11. The report, in accordance with the format established by the committee, shall be forwarded to the Commission and made accessible to the public.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y				Y	Y	
Article 18	Information in existing relevant research, and relevant research by neighbouring parties.						Y	Y	Y	Y		
Article 22	Assessment of possible effects on native re-introductions and non-native introductions. Information on similar activities within Member States or elsewhere.		Y				Y			Y	Y	
Article 23	Inform Commission of national legislation, and its main provisions				Y							

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Article 2.1	List of designated important wetlands, and descriptions and maps of the wetlands	Y										
Article 2.4	Information on wetlands of importance.		Y									
Article 2.5	Procedure and amendment information on wetlands of importance.		Y									
Article 2.6	knowledge of international obligations relating to wetlands					Y						
Article 2.2 -2.3	Knowledge of guidelines for selecting wetlands.		Y									
Article 3.1	planning obligations					Y						
Article 3.2	monitoring information on sites of importance		Y								Y	
Article 4.1	protection of wetlands			Y								
Article 4.2	data on loss of wetlands		Y									
Article 4.3-4.5	research data on wetlands' including population data, and knowledge of management measures	Y	Y									
Article 5	knowledge of wetlands shared - transboundary; and knowledge of policy and protection	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y						
Article 6.1-6.2	none											
Article 6.3	transfer of information from COPs to wetland managers									Y		
Article 6.4-6.6	knowledge of procedure and financial regulations									Y		
Article 7	knowledge of voting arrangements									Y		
Article 8	none											
Article 9-10	none											

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Article 10 bis	knowledge of amendment procedure									Y		
Article 11	knowledge of time commitment to Convention and procedures of withdrawal									Y		
Article 12	none											
Recommendation 1.5	inventories of wetlands and biological resources		Y									
Recommendation 2.1	Detailed national reports for the purpose of monitoring implementation of the Convention (re-stated in Recommendation 4.3).	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Recommendation 2.3	National data collection, research and monitoring		Y				Y				Y	
Recommendation 3.2	research data on population numbers		Y									
Recommendation 3.3	knowledge of current wetland policy, and current use of wetland sites		Y			Y						
Recommendation 3.9	knowledge of current policy/legislation available for conservation of wetlands, or others procedures available to prevent degradation		Y		Y	Y	Y					
Recommendation 4.1	Parties should supply the bureau with available documentation on different stages of restoration projects.	Y										
Recommendation 4.5	current educational programmes, national curricula activities. Training needs of staff.									Y		
Recommendation 4.6	inventory of wetlands and reasons for importance		Y									
Recommendation 4.4	national inventories of wetlands; knowledge of current education programmes, and wetland oriented groups and management authorities. Legal mechanisms covering aspects of wetland conservation		Y	Y	Y					Y		
Recommendation 5.3	knowledge of protection measures available, and management measures			Y	Y							

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Resolution 5.9	knowledge IUCN's guidelines for identifying sites of importance					Y				Y		
Recommendation 4.8	knowledge of threats to wetlands, and legislation/policy available to prevent		Y	Y	Y	Y						
Recommendation 4.12	population data and survey methods. Identification of expertise and areas of co-operation with other territories		Y				Y	Y				
Recommendation 4.13	knowledge of donor policies for TA and funding in relation to wetlands					Y				Y		
Recommendation 5.5	Current co-operation policies, and areas for improvement					Y						
Recommendation 5.4	biological data and knowledge of CBD		Y							Y		
Recommendation 5.6	knowledge of relevant NGOs and areas of collaboration/support									Y		
Recommendation 5.7	Information on National Committees contribution to National Reports										Y	
Recommendation 5.8	current public awareness policies, and possible areas of international co-operation.					Y				Y		
Recommendation 5.9	knowledge of expertise available and areas of co-operation on proposals, and development of guidelines							Y		Y		
Recommendation 5.10	knowledge of public awareness programmes and areas of co-operation with relevant NGOs and other partners									Y		
Recommendation 5.13	knowledge of relevant biodiversity related conventions having influence on wetlands or wetland species									Y		
Recommendation 5.15	provision of language expertise							Y				
Recommendation 6.1	Inventory of all peatlands in territory, identification of sites as important. Knowledge of Guidelines for 'Wise Use' to be applied to all wetlands. Possible areas of international co-operation on peatlands		Y			Y				Y		

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Recommendation 6.2	Information on environmental appraisal methods and guidelines.						Y	Y				
Recommendation 6.3	Information on use of wetlands by local people (traditional use), and possible mechanisms for their involvement in policies and programmes	Y					Y			Y		
Recommendation 6.5	financial needs											Y
Recommendation 6.6	financial needs											Y
Recommendation 6.7	biological data on coral reef habitats and importance		Y									
Recommendation 6.8	knowledge of planning and management of coastal zone, knowledge of 'wise use' policies applicable to the coastal zone.	Y		Y		Y						
Recommendation 6.9	Copies of National Wetland Policy					Y						
Recommendation 6.10	economic value of wetlands		Y									
Recommendation 6.12	Report on the progress of this process to be added into forthcoming National Reports to the Convention										Y	
Recommendation 6.13	current management of wetlands, and needs for further development and implementation	Y		Y		Y						
Recommendation 6.14	Information on efforts to remedy or prevention wetland pollution should be contained in National Reports.									Y		
Recommendation 6.15	knowledge of existing national policies. List of national sites in need of restoration. Steps taken towards restoration and monitoring of restoration.	Y	Y			Y						
Resolution 3.2	Financial											Y
Resolution 4.4	All Information on wetlands and water systems in territory.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Resolution 5.3	Regional inventories of wetlands, list of designated sites, datasheets on sites as well as boundary maps	Y	Y	Y	Y							

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Resolution 4.5	Data on wetlands		Y									
Resolution 5.6	Knowledge of wise use guidelines and their current implementation Internationally, nationally and locally.	Y										
Resolution 5.7	List of guidelines. Current management plans, current legal and administrative mechanisms.	Y		Y								
Resolution 5.8	Project funding application and reporting procedure						Y					
Resolution 5.9	Knowledge of concepts presented by IUCN and IWRB at COP 4. Knowledge of Ramsar Criteria. Figures on animal and plant population levels at sites.		Y									
Resolution 5.3	Completed RIS and map should be submitted to Ramsar Bureau		Y									
Resolution 5.4	Understanding of the Montreux Record its guidelines and applications. Knowledge of ecological character of listed sites		Y									
Resolution VI/1	Knowledge of Early Warning System development + who the relevant authority is developing the system									Y		
Resolution VI/2	Understanding of Criteria 4(a) and (b) and its guidelines for application.						Y					
Resolution VI/4	Estimates and Thresholds of waterfowl when published by Wetlands International,		Y									
Resolution VI/5	Biological data on these sites		Y									
Resolution VI/6	none											
Resolution VI/9	Knowledge of the goals of the CBD and areas of overlap with the Ramsar Convention.					Y						
Resolution VI/10	Knowledge of GEF:World Bank/UNDP/UNEP activities and areas of cooperation/co-ordination					Y						

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Resolution VI/12	Knowledge of all wetland ecosystems in territories. Knowledge of Ramsar criteria and those sites which meet them.	Y	Y	Y	Y							
Resolution VI/19	Knowledge of the strategic plan 1997-2002 and its requirements.									Y		
Resolution VI/21	knowledge of current national reporting processes and wetland assessment procedure										Y	
Resolution VI/23	Knowledge of current hydrological expertise and links with organisations in this area.	Y						Y				
Resolution VI/13	Information Sheets and maps of designated sites		Y									
Resolution VI/16	Boundaries and descriptions of sites, and a completed information sheets on Ramsar wetlands.		Y									
Notification 1998/1	Information on activities undertaken since last COP. Report for COP7 to be received by Ramsar Bureau. Report format presented.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y				Y	Y	Y

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